

IMPROVEMENT OF BARS, HARBORS, AND RIVERS IN THE  
TERRITORY OF FLORIDA.

JUNE 24, 1842.

Read, and laid upon the table.

Mr. RAYNER, from the Committee on Commerce, submitted the following

**REPORT:**

*The Committee on Commerce, to whom were referred the resolutions instructing that committee to inquire into the expediency of making appropriations for the improvements of bars, harbors, rivers, &c., in the Territory of Florida, report:*

In this case no evidence has been adduced before the committee to show the importance or necessity of the appropriation mentioned in the resolution. The committee are aware of the duty of the General Government to afford all due aid and encouragement to the Territorial Governments that are under its protection; and, while they would not prejudice any well-grounded claims of the Territories, or any portion thereof, to the fostering care of, and improvement by, the General Government, yet, in the present condition of the Treasury, and in the absence of more definite information on the subject, the committee cannot recommend any appropriations for these objects.

The committee therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

